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## EARTO PARTICIPATION IN EU DECISION-MAKING PROCESS



### State of the Union Address by EC President von der Leyen

On 16 September 2020, the European Commission (EC) President Ursula von der Leyen delivered the annual State of the Union [speech](#) in front of the European Parliament (EP). She focused on major topics for EU's future, such as the recovery...

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## Negotiations on the MFF & Next Generation EU

The European Council has reached an [agreement](#) in end July on the future Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and Next Generation EU (NGEU), where many EU RD&I related programmes have seen their budgets decreased, including Horizon Europe...

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## Council Position on the Horizon Europe Budget Split

The Council is currently drafting its position on how the budget will be split within Horizon Europe. This exercise is managed by the Council Research Working Party who held several meetings since end August. EARTO has circulated...

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## EARTO Analysis of the EU Budget for 2021

On 7 September, the Council Budget Committee published its [draft budget](#) for the EU in 2021. Regarding Horizon Europe, the EC had proposed an amount of €11.5bn, but the Council decreased this amount to €10.7bn (- €758 million)...

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## Timing of EU Budget Talks

To summarise the timing of the three fast-paced and ongoing processes of the MFF, EU Budget 2021 and Horizon Europe regulation, please see the table below:

MFF EU Budget	MFF EU Budget 2021	Horizon Europe Budget Split
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council position published on 21 July</li> <li>• Trilogue ongoing with EP: last Friday EP Press Release supports 15 EU programmes including Horizon Europe &amp; asking 100BE extra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council position published on 7 Sept</li> <li>• Trilogue ongoing with EP BUDG Committee</li> <li>• Council will re-evaluate its position on the 2021 budget in light of the final text of the MFF and an upcoming EC letter of amendment</li> <li>• End September: Council formal position</li> <li>• 1 October: submission to EP</li> <li>• Week of 9 November: adoption of EP amendments</li> <li>• 17 November: 3-week conciliation period if necessary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Position under the making by Permrep Research Working Party meetings</li> <li>• Position needs to reach COREPER by 23 Sept</li> <li>• 29 September: Research Ministers Council: adoption of Partial General Approach on budget split, 3rd countries, synergies</li> <li>• 1-15 October: Trilogue with EP</li> <li>• Until end of the year: preparation of adoption documents (translation, etc)</li> </ul>



## Co-Design Towards Horizon Europe

The EU has published in September a [consultation](#) on what should be the priorities for the period of 2021-2024. The survey is structured around the six Horizon Europe Pillar II Clusters and their expected impacts and synergies with...

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## Progress on ERA Communication and ERA Conclusions

On 27 July 2020 EARTO provided its [feedback](#) to the EC on the European Research Area (ERA) [public consultation](#) which will feed into the upcoming EC ERA Communication. EARTO also included its [Recommendations](#) for future EU RD&I policy as feedback to the consultation...

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## Technology Infrastructures

EARTO will meet the EC services looking at Research and Innovation Infrastructures in mid-October with EARTO experts in order to present EARTO recently published [position paper on Technology Infrastructures](#). It seems that the EC is now looking...

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## Unequal Progresses on Partnerships

Most of the proposals for the future Partnerships are now available on the EC [website](#). A Single Basic Act is being drafted by the EC for the partnerships. An EC inter-services consultation is then likely to be held early October, before the draft Regulation...

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## Setting up of EU Missions

The EC efforts on setting-up the new EU Missions is still ongoing. The various Missions Boards reports have been published and will be discussed during the next week EC [R&I Days](#) with one session for each mission. The missions will be further defined in...

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## Future EC IP Policy

On 16 September, the Core Team of our Working Group Legal Experts presented the new EARTO position paper [Towards a Balanced Approach Between IPRs and Open Science Policy](#) to the European Commission DG R&I services responsible for IP...

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## EARTO Latest Webinars

Following a successful [first round of webinars](#) in June, EARTO organised a second series of webinars on various topics with EC officials in September: 1. Cohesion Policy – an [EC consultation](#) is running until end September on the new Interregional...

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## EARTO Latest Position Papers

Don't miss reading our paper published in July!

1. [EARTO Response to the EC Consultation on the Renewed Sustainable Finance Strategy](#) (2 July)
2. [EARTO Joint Contribution to the EC Consultation Reviewing the GBER](#) (6 July)
3. [EARTO Open Letter to President Michel – More Ambitious EU RD&I Investments Needed in the Next MFF](#) (14 July)
4. [EARTO Technical Paper on the Calculation of Personnel Costs in Horizon Europe](#) (16 July)
5. [EARTO Feedback on the EC H2020 Data Management Plan's Template](#) (17 July)
6. [EARTO Press Release – Call for the European Parliament to Become the Champion of EU RD&I Investments](#) (22 July)
7. [EARTO Inputs for the EC Communication on European Research Area \(ERA\)](#) (27 July)
8. [EARTO Paper – Setting-up a European Strategy for Technology Infrastructures](#) (31 July)
9. [EARTO Paper – Towards a Balanced Approach Between IPRs and Open Science Policy](#) (31 July)

## EARTO INTERNAL AFFAIRS & EVENTS

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## EARTO Policy Event and Innovation Awards' Ceremony: 28 October 2020 – REGISTRATION OPEN!

EARTO organises its virtual [Policy Event](#) and [Innovation Awards](#) on 28 October 2020, from 14.00 to 16.15 (CEST). During the 12th edition of EARTO Innovation Awards Ceremony, six RTOs' innovations will be rewarded on two categories: Impact Expected and Impact Delivered. More information on the agenda and registration are available [here](#). You can have a look back at the previous editions of the Policy Event [here](#) and the Innovation Awards Ceremony [here](#). All applications will feature in the EARTO Innovation Awards brochure and on the [EARTO website](#) ([see last years' editions](#)).



## EARTO Network welcomes three new members: BRTA and IDEKO (Spain) and ELKH (Hungary)

The EARTO network gladly welcomed three new members from Spain and Hungary:

- [BRTA](#) – The Basque Research and Technology Alliance: BRTA is a consortium composed of 12 RTOs, 4 CICs (cooperative Research Centers), the Basque Government and the Basque Business Development Agency – SPRI.
- [ELKH](#) – Eötvös Loránd Research Network in Hungary: ELKH is composed of 39 research institutes and more than 150 research groups. ELKH develops innovative and targeted research and policy programs, fosters regional and international partnerships, and strengthens synergies between education and research.
- [IDEKO](#): IDEKO is a research centre that specialises in industrial production and manufacturing technologies. Its principal activities are to support process/product/service development strategy, collaborative projects, integrated management for innovation.



## Latest and upcoming EARTO Webinar Sessions and Working Groups

Latest EARTO WGs and Webinar Sessions:

- 3 September – WG Medtech
- 8 September – WG Security & Defence Research

Upcoming EARTO WGs as conference calls:

- 10 November – WG Security & Defence Research
- Autumn – WG Financial experts
- Autumn – WG Legal experts
- Autumn – WG Impact

Meeting minutes and documents of the EARTO WGs are available in the [EARTO Members' Area](#).



## EARTO Team Teleworking – Contact Information

Back in office on Mondays, our team is still mostly teleworking: should you need to contact us, please find our contact information [here](#).

## COMMUNICATION FROM EARTO MEMBERS

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### 2nd RTO Innovation Summit on 18-19 November 2020 as a Virtual Event

Ten leading European RTOs representing more than 50,000 researchers across Europe, [AIT](#), [CEA](#), [DTI](#), [Fraunhofer](#), [imec](#), [RISE](#), [SINTEF](#), [Tecnalia](#), [TNO](#) and [VTT](#), are organising the 2nd RTO Innovation Summit, which will be held virtually...

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